



Niagara ARES

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Special points of interest:

- Niagara ARES Newsletter will be published periodically and emailed to ARES members in the Niagara Region. / Website: www.aresniagara.ca
- Niagara ARES CEC is Henry, VA3OV.
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- Newsletter prepared by Geddie, VE3CJX.
- To unsubscribe from this newsletter, contact Geddie at ve3cjx@gmail.com
- Niagara ARES Net every Monday 8:00pm VE3RAF.

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Fall season is on our door steps. For our neighbours to the south they have already endured some extreme weather and devastation of their personal property and there is more to come.

In British Columbia wild fires have displaced many families and destroyed personal properties.

The big question is:

“ How will we fare in a state of emergency?”

Be prepared for 72 hours, 7 days of self sufficiency is the norm now.

According to some sources, the Houston ARES group was not activated. Good thing because some of their repeater sites were under water.

I came upon this link describing the future of communication for first responder. You can draw your own conclusion

<https://www.corp.att.com/public-safety/att-firstnet/>

I would like to take this opportunity to Thank all of our members that participated actively in our summer events; Ride for Roswell, Field Day, Canada Day Parade, Tour for Kids. We received praise for our commitment from the organizers, the participants and some members of the public.

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We have a new web site www.aresniagara.ca courtesy of Kaitlynn VE3AUO and Doug VE3EQV. You may consult this web site for updates and information regarding Niagara ARES activities.

We will be conducting exercises again on Monday night during our weekly net. Message forms are available on the web. Packet exercises, Winlink Express, Outpost and BBS will resume shortly.

It is time to go look into the treasure chest to rediscover the forgotten TNC and the old 2 meter rig. Bring your equipment to the meeting, some of our members will assist you to connect and configure the TNC and laptop.

It is Simulated Emergency Test time of the year. The official Ontario SET date is October 14. We are planning our regional SET for Saturday October 28. We will be activating a couple hospitals and fire stations in the region using voice and packet.

Bring your mobile VHF/UHF station for demonstration and evaluation. I will bring an antenna analyzer to check the antenna and transmission line performance.

Next Meeting - September 20 at 1900H

Niagara Police Regional Headquarters, Community Room
5700 Valley Way and Stanley
Niagara Falls.

Thanks 73

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Please take the time to look at this link for specific details and reports available on line.

<http://wp.rac.ca/update-on-hurricanes-irma-jose-and-katia-september-7/>

On September 7, 2017:

Radio Amateurs of Canada is monitoring the progress of the storms in the Caribbean and any necessary Amateur response.

The National Hurricane Center (NHC) has issued the following public advisories:
Hurricane Irma:

<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/text/refresh/MIATCPAT1+shtml/061753.shtml>

Hurricane Jose:

<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/text/refresh/MIATCPAT2+shtml/060832.shtml>

Hurricane Katia:

<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/text/refresh/MIATCPAT3+shtml/071146.shtml>

Stay tuned to this website and to our social media sites for more information: **Twitter**

<https://twitter.com/ractweets> and **Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/radioamateurscdn/>

Here is a list of frequencies:

Puerto Rico: 3.803, 3.808, 7.188 MHz. Radio Amateurs in Puerto Rico also will cooperate with the [Hurricane Watch Network](#) on 7.268 and 14.325 MHz.

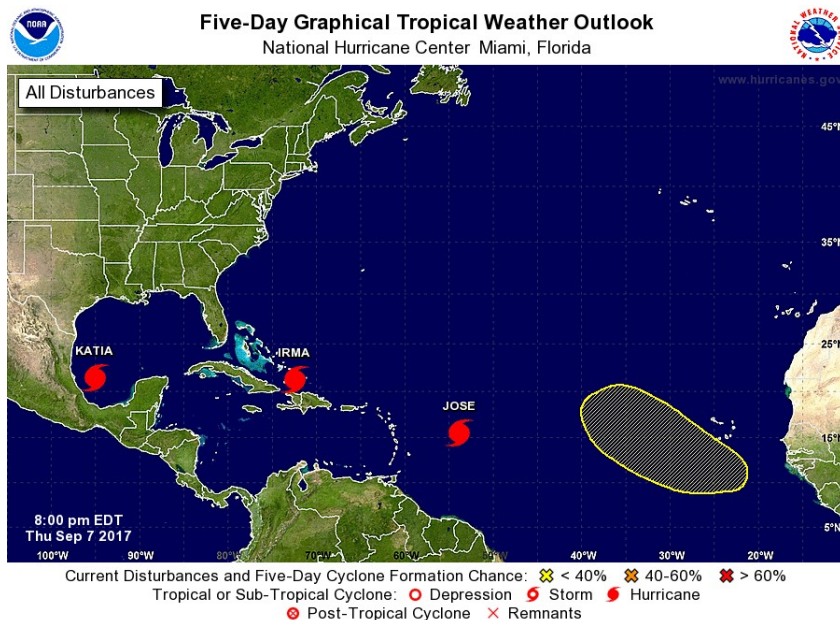
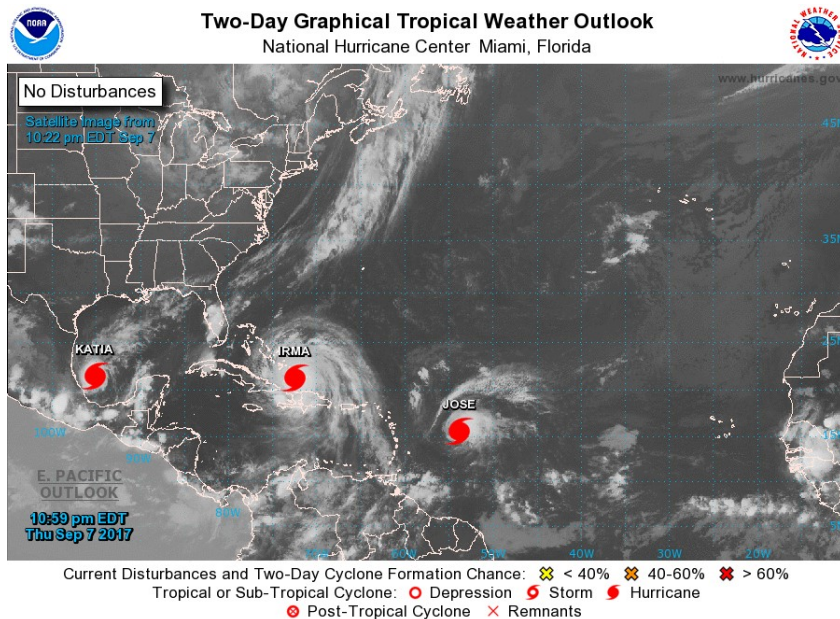
Cuba: Daylight hours, 7.110 MHz (primary) and 7.120 MHz (secondary); Provincial Net: 7.045, 7.080 MHz, and on other lower frequencies as necessary. Nighttime, 3.740 MHz (primary) and 3.720 MHz (secondary) and on other lower frequencies as necessary.

Dominican Republic: 3.873 MHz (primary), 3.815 MHz (secondary), 7.182 MHz (primary), 7.255 MHz (secondary); 14.330 MHz (primary), 21.360 MHz (primary), 28.330 MHz (primary).

Your usual cooperation is appreciated.

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Website Images available....



Source: Update on Hurricanes Irma, Jose and Katia: September 7/ 2017-09-07 BY [ALAN GRIFFIN](#) AT RAC WEBSITE AND LINKS PROVIDED.